

# Ale Trail 2011

Kippen, Stirling

MINIMUM TIME: 1 hour

DISTANCE: 2.25 miles

LEVEL/GRADE: Easy

PATHS: Footpaths, tracks and quiet country lanes with a stretch of pavement along the main road back into the village

LANDSCAPE: Village, woodland, pond, views

This short, easy walk offers variety of landscape and far-reaching views especially on a clear day



## Please drink responsibly

### SUGGESTED STARTING POINT

There is plenty of roadside parking in the Kippen on the B822, which turns south from the A811 heading west from Stirling.

### OS MAPS

Explorer 366 (Stirling & Ochil Hills West)

Landranger 57 (Stirling & The Trossachs)

### THE WALK

1. From The Cross Keys (☎ 01786 870500) pub in Kippen, start down the hill and at the crossroads turn right into Burnside. (NOTE: Going left leads to the other pub, The Inn at Kippen (☎ 01786 870293), which is just a few minutes walk down Fore Road and a good alternative for your refreshments at the end of the walk)
2. Continue down Burnside and when you reach the stone bridge across the river, keep straight on and follow the road. Leave the houses behind you and continue along the lane as it climbs and enjoy the views off to the left and ahead of you.

3. When you reach Kennel Cottage, turn right and proceed up the narrow lane for a short distance before taking the footpath on the right hand side.
4. Go past the pond on your left and continue on the well-defined footpath. The path emerges onto the football pitch and you need to head for the far right hand corner of the pitch. At this point, turn left onto the track, following the sign for Gun Club Road (1/3 mile).
5. When the gravel track comes to an end, turn left onto the marked footpath. At the junction of footpaths, turn right and continue with the wood now on your right, following the fence.
6. When the footpath joins a track, continue straight ahead, pass through the gate and turn right onto a rough pot-holed lane which then leads to a proper tarmac'd road. Keep going until you reach the main road (B822) where you turn right.
7. Now simply follow this road back into Kippen until you reach The Cross Keys, or keep going a little further to turn left down Fore Road if you would rather stop at The Inn at Kippen instead.

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